

Additional Comments on Survey on Definitions of Routine Care

1. Many of the clinical trials at issue here are NCI-approved trials. To have a policy integrated across federal agencies and programs would be a good thing. Also, Medicare has arrived at a good balance of interests in my opinion.
2. I appreciate Cori Cook's input and the time taken to create the document. We could start with that, but there are some issues with the document as it exists that need to be discussed.
3. I really believe that we should look at them all, but the federal government is a great starting point. I have some issues with Cori's definition related to clarity and some of the things she has excluded.
4. The Symetra Medical Management Team reviewed the four definition documents listed above. We strongly support Cori Cook's proposal.
5. I actually believe we should begin with the definition in PPACA as that is a requirement for all plans, insured and self-funded. By adopting this definition nothing needs to be added to Montana law and therefore the political battles are minimized.
6. Cori's proposal is similar to what I was going to suggest. I will bring a few more thoughts around this on Friday.